

NOTICE

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG POLO CLUB.

THERE will be a GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG POLO CLUB, at the Cricket Pavilion, at 5 p.m. on MONDAY the 22nd SEPTEMBER.

SYDNEY L. ROBINSON, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th September, 1890. [2054]

DILIGENTIA LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

THE FIRST MEETING of the above LODGE will be held TO-DAY (THURSDAY), 18th inst., at the MASONIC HALL, Zeland Street, at 5.30 p.m., precisely.

N.B. All Brothers who are Members of Lodges in the Districts of Hongkong and South China wishing to join are PARTICULARLY REQUESTED to be present at this Meeting.

Hongkong, 18th September, 1890. [2053]

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE UNDERSIGNED, at the request of the Proprietors, will sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY, the 19th September, 1890, commencing at 2 p.m., at his Shop Rooms, Duddell Street, for account of the Proprietors:

A quantity of DRAPERY, &c., comprising LADIES' DRESS MATERIALS, HATS, BONNETS, PARASOLS, STOCKINGS, &c., &c.

Also,

A quantity of Autumn Tweeds for Gentlemen's wear, cut into suit lengths, STRAW HATS, RAIN COATS, &c., &c.

The above will be on view on FRIDAY NEXT, 19th inst., from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Terms of SALE: Cash on delivery.

G. E. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 18th September, 1890. [2052]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND POOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITIAN," Captain B. Ashton, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 19th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1890. [2051]

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR COLOMBO, AND BOMBAY.

Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, TRIESTE, VENICE, AND ROME.

THE Company's Steamship

"MELPOMENE," Captain Wallace, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 19th inst., at 3 p.m., taking Cargo at through rates to CALCUTTA, MADRAS, PENANG, GULF, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, AND AFRICAN PORTS.

Cargo will not be received on Board after 3 p.m. prior to date of sailing.

For Further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1890. [2050]

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR BRISBANE, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.

THE Steamship

"MENMUIR," Captain Craig, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 19th inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1890. [2050]

UNION LINE FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"KARA," Captain S. D'Almeida, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 20th inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th September, 1890. [2050]

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON.

THE Steamship

"KINGBOW," H. L. Allen, Commander, will be despatched as above on or about the 20th inst.

For Freight apply to

ARNOLD, KARRER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th September, 1890. [2057]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBRO, LONDON, & NANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th September, 1890. [2050]

THE AUSTIN ARMS HOTEL AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

\$50,000.

OF this Company's DEBENTURES are now offered to the public in sums of not less than \$50. These Debentures bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum.

For further particulars and forms of application apply at the Company's Office, 38, Queen's Road Central.

JOHN A. JUPP, Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th September, 1890. [1935]

INTIMATIONS

THEATRE ROYAL

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

AN ABSOLUTE NOVELTY.

AN ABSOLUTE NOVELTY.

POSITIVELY TWO NIGHTS ONLY.

THIS EVENING

(THURSDAY), September 18th,

AND SATURDAY, September 20th.

MR. FRANK LINCOLN.

MR. FRANK LINCOLN.

The Renowned

AMERICAN MONOLOGIST,

INIMITABLE MONOLOGUE.

ENTERTAINMENT.

EMINENT OPINIONS.

"The Successor of Artemus Ward."

—London Times.

"Your Imitations are Simply Wonderful."

—Princess of Wales.

"You Compel Laughter."

—The Hon. W. E. Gladstone.

"A Mimic of Starling Fidelity."

—Henry Labouchere.

"Your Nonsense is Artistic."

—Adeline Patti.

"A Whole Orchestra."

—Sir Arthur Sullivan.

Prices \$2 and \$1.

Soldiers and Sailors half-price to Back Seats only.

Performances commence at 8 p.m., and terminate at 10.45 p.m.

Box Plan at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH'S, Hongkong, 18th September, 1890. [2058]

NOTICE.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

OF THE MEMBERS OF THE HONGKONG

GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

will be held THIS DAY, (THURSDAY),

the 18th inst., at the CITY HALL, at 2 p.m.

to nominate a Member of the Chamber for

election to the Legislative Council.

By Order

F. HENDERSON, Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th September, 1890. [1981]

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

for the purpose of receiving the

Committee's Report for the Past Season and

electing the Committee and Officers for the Coming

Season will be held at the Pavilion TO-DAY

(THURSDAY), the 18th inst., at 5 p.m.

After the General Meeting, a special General

Meeting will be held for the purpose of

considering the following resolutions:

1. That the number of Tennis Players in the

A Class be raised from 12 to 15.

2. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 1

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

3. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 2

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

4. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 3

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

5. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 4

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

6. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 5

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

7. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 6

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

8. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 7

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

9. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 8

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

10. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 9

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

11. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 10

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

12. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 11

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

13. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 12

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

14. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 13

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

15. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 14

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

16. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 15

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

17. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 16

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

Rules and Classes A and B to exist.

18. That the Rules for Lawn Tennis Court 17

be changed from the Hongkong Cricket

INTIMATIONS

DAKIN BROTHERS OF CHINA

SELECT TOILET REQUISITES.

THE TEETH, HAIR, SKIN, ETC.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE TEETH

AND MOUTH.

DAKIN'S CHERRY TOOTH PASTE. An ex-

cellent preservative of the Teeth and Gums,

with a grateful, refreshing aromatic Taste.

Price 50 cents per box.

DAKIN'S AEREA NOT TOOTH PASTE. Com-

bines slightly astringent properties with the

antiseptic and cleansing qualities of the Cherry

Paste. Price 50 cents per box.

DAKIN'S CARBOLIC TOOTH POWDER. High-

ly antiseptic, and most agreeable and efficacious

in cleansing and preserving the Teeth and

Gums. It is perfectly pleasant and delicate

and pleasant. Price 75 cents per bottle.

PEARL DENTIFRICE. ASTRINGENT DENTIFRICE.

Price 75 cents per bottle.

DAKIN'S TINCTURE OF MYRRH AND BORAX.

Prepared with Ess. of Cologne.

A few drops used on a wet Tooth Brush im-

part a pleasing odor to the breath, preserves

the Gums, and its daily use prevents tooth-

ache. Price 50 cents and 1.25 per bottle.

Telephone No. 90.

No. 22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

[1824]

POLICE NOTICE.

NOTICE has been received that the

ANNUAL PERAMBULATION of the

WATERBURY WATCHES will take

place from 7 a.m. on the 17th to 7 a.m. on the

18th inst., and that in consequence thereof

all the ROADS within the Military Cantonment

will be CLOSED to the Public during those

Hours.

By Command

A. GORDON, Acting Captain Superintendent of Police.

Police Office, Hongkong, 18th September, 1890. [2031]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE GENERAL DIVIDEND declared

for the year ended April 30th last at the

rate of \$4 per Share of \$25 is now Payable.

Shareholders are requested to apply at the

Company's Office for Warrants.

W. M. RAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1890. [2012]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

DURING my absence from the Colony Mr.

A. B. GARFILL has been appointed

ACTING SECRETARY.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

W. H. RAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th September, 1890. [2046]

JUST ARRIVED, FOR SALE.

The New Steam Winder and Enamelled Dial

Series J—For Gentlemen, or large size.

Series K—For Ladies, or small size.

Watches in leather or metal cases; Jewelled.

Dust-proof, Keyless, with all the

latest improvements. A perfect and

unrivalled timekeeper; reliable, durable,

and accurate.

Series E—The "Good old favourite." The

best form of the original Waterbury; offered

at the reduced price of \$4.50.

Orders from Out-ports to be accompanied

with remittance for cost.

THE MITCHELL BUNN KAISHA

Sole Agents, China, Japan, and

Korea, Hongkong & Macao.

210, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 21st February, 1890. [1826]

SIEN TING.

SURGEON DENTIST.

No. 10, D'ARVILLE STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation free.

Hongkong, 14th September, 1890. [2021]

MR. PERCIVAL SPENCER

will

DROP FROM THE CLOUDS

AT THE RACE COURSE

ON SATURDAY, the 20th SEPTEMBER.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1890. [1857]

NOTICE.

HON-KONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS

are respectfully informed that if upon their

arrival in this Harbour, one of the Company's

Foremen should be at hand, either for repairs

to the Head Office, No. 14, Praya

Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found

necessary, communication with the Under-
secretary is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to

rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1890. [183]

THE STANDARD OFFICE

LAST YEAR HEADED THE LIST

INTIMATIONS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Are now booking Orders for

FLOWER AND VEGETABLE SEEDS.

SEASON 1890-1.

This Season's stock consists of the best

varieties of the various Flowers and Vegetables

suitable for our Climate.

The Seeds will be unpacked about end of

September, or as soon as weather will permit.

SEASON'S ENGLISH BEERS.

HONGKONG TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

(Late THE HALL & HOLTZ & Co., Ltd.)

TAILORS AND OUTFITTERS.
DRESSMAKERS AND MILLINERS.
GENERAL DRAPERS.

NEW GOODS
IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.

HONGKONG TRADING Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 8th September, 1890.

A. S. WATSON & COMPANY, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.
MANUFACTURERS OF AERATED WATERS.

Our New Factory has been recently refitted with the latest and most approved machinery, and we are well able to compete in quality with the best English makers.

The purest ingredients only are used, and the utmost care and cleanliness are exercised in the manufacture throughout.

Our Large Bottling Soda Water, Lemonade, Potash Water, Seltzer Water, Sarsaparilla Water, Tonic Water, and GINGER ALE.

No credit given for bottles that look dirty, or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing Aerated Water, as such bottles are never used again by us.

Our Registered Telegraphic Address is "DISPENSARY, HONGKONG." And all signed messages addressed thus will receive prompt attention.

The following is a list of Waters always kept ready in Stock:

PURE AERATED WATER
SODA WATER
LEMONADE
POTASH WATER
SALT WATER
SARSAPARILLA WATER
Tonic Water
GINGER ALE

No credit given for bottles that look dirty, or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing Aerated Water, as such bottles are never used again by us.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.
Hongkong, China, and Manila.

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but it will not open up any valuable country or give access to any great commercial centre. This is a railway in short that the Government ought to make at its own cost and work at its own convenience. It is certainly not fair to expect a private company to build a purely strategic railway, which is scarcely ever likely to give a reasonable return on the capital invested.

If the Imperial Government desire to thoroughly disquiet private enterprise they could hardly take more effectual means to do so than by only granting permission to construct railways through districts where there is the least chance of their proving remunerative. The existing railway from Kaiping to Taku and Tientsin only pays expenses at present; there is little prospect of a dividend for the shareholders; but if it were continued to Tungchow it would undoubtedly yield handsome results. So long as such a policy is adhered to there is slender chance of a railway system being formed in China. The position taken up by the Peking Government is analogous to that of the dog in the manger. Professing to be favourable to the introduction of the iron road into the Central Kingdom, so long as it is built by native capital, they refuse to construct the lines themselves and when native companies are with great difficulty formed, owing to the deep distrust of the officials as a body, they insist upon all the railways being made first where they are least wanted and can never pay interest on the outlay. Thus it follows that, while the ancient prejudices against the innovation—always exaggerated if not actually created by the mandarins—have to a great extent been removed, the prospects of railway enterprise in China are little if any better than they were ten years ago. Standfast in their determination not to cull in the aid of foreign capital, unwilling to embark on the work themselves, and fatuously insisting native enterprise with enormous conditions as to routes, they will assuredly retard the development of the country indefinitely by their selfish and short-sighted policy. There is plenty of capital in China to make a number of important lines if not to create a regular system of railways. Japan has already completed more than a thousand miles of railway, a great portion of which has been constructed by private enterprise, and the same result would follow in China were native capitalists able to trust their Government. As they do not trust the ruling powers, and as a rule will not invest their money in enterprises the control of which is not left entirely in their hands, the best thing the Imperial Government can do is to raise a large foreign loan, which can be done at a moderate rate of interest, and proceed to make the trunk railway from Peking to Hankow and Nanking, thence to Canton, and subsequently another trunk line to connect the north-west frontier of the empire with the coast, say at Taku or Chefoo. Under existing circumstances, the work will proceed at such a snail's pace that the middle of the twentieth century will find China with a very patchwork system of railways, if with one at all.

Steamers are now being placed on the berth to take coals from Mexico to Mexico.

Members of the Hongkong Cricket Club are reminded of the annual meeting today.

The September Criminal Sessions open this morning at the Supreme Court. The calendar contains three cases only.

An addition to the Marine bodies of Hongkong has been made in the Diligence Lodge of Instruction, which holds its first meeting this afternoon.

About eight o'clock last night a gun was fired, presumably by the Pacific Mail steamer City of Peking, but if so the vessel did not go to her berth, and the mails were not landed.

The meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to nominate a member of the Legislative Council in the room of Mr. A. P. Macdonald takes place this afternoon. A close contest between Mr. Dalrymple and Mr. Whitehead is expected.

We are requested to state that Mr. Lincoln's uncertainty this evening will terminate at 10.45, so that residents at the Peak will have time to catch the last train. His Excellency the Acting Governor has extended his patronage to Mr. Lincoln and will be present at one of the performances.

By a notification in the *Peking Gazette* the public are informed that the use of Straits Settlements two cent stamps on letters from Peking to the Straits and Native States is to be discontinued from the 1st of October. Letters stamped with Peking two cent stamps, otherwise they will be treated as unpaid. This rule will be strictly enforced. The public are further cautioned against using Peking two cent stamps on letters for the Straits Settlements and Native States, these stamps being only valid in Peking.

The Japanese Official Gazette says that the well known volcano of Shirane, in Gunma Prefecture, has been again giving evidence of activity. On the 10th August, during the storm of wind and rain raging, the mountain burst into eruption. This event occurred at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, and at half-past four the same volcano again gave forth a great column of smoke and ash, which was seen for miles around. In respect of violence and the quantity of matter ejected, the eruption is said to be only about two-thirds as violent as that which occurred last year. No lives were lost.

The Japanese Official Gazette of the 25th ult. contains the following report of the Hokkaido Administration Board in regard to the eruption of a volcano, namely, "The Shiridoke volcano, situated in the island of Hokkaido, gave forth a great column of smoke and ash, which was seen for miles around. In respect of violence and the quantity of matter ejected, the eruption is said to be only about two-thirds as violent as that which occurred last year. No lives were lost."

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THE FLOODS IN AUSTRIA.
The floods at Prague have ceased, and His Majesty the Emperor has authorized an outlay of two millions of florins for the relief of the unfortunate inhabitants.

VISIT OF THE EMPEROR WILLIAM TO AUSTRIA.
His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of Germany will visit Vienna on the 2nd October next.

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Nine thousand employes at the Broken Hill Mines have struck.

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